Proposal for strengthening and black topping of existing mettaled road MDR-49 from Hasur BK to Bolavi Road in Tal-Kagal, Dist-Kolhapur passing through forest land in 810 Mtr (KM 1/685 to 1/835, KM 2/085 to 2/235, KM 2/435 to 2/945).

Government of Maharashtra

Revenue and Forest Department Government Order No.: FLD-2020/CR-87/F-10 Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032 Date: 23/10/2020

Reference:

- 1. Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra Circular No. FLD-2019/C.R.76/F-10, dt.03/05/2019.
- 2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur Letter No.Desk-17/NC/II/C.R.143/37/2019-20, dt.19/05/2020.

Preamble:

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted a proposal to the State Forest Department for strengthening and black topping of existing mettaled road MDR-49 from Hasur BK to Bolavi Road in Tal-Kagal, Dist-Kolhapur passing through forest land in 810 Mtr (KM 1/685 to 1/835, KM 2/085 to 2/235, KM 2/435 to 2/945) of Kolhapur district which is received from the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Kolhapur. After careful consideration and scrutiny of the proposal, this Government is pleased to grant approval for the aforesaid proposal.

Government Order:

As per Indian Survey toposheet the road under reference is prior to 1980 & it is shown as Cart Track, hence in exercise of powers delegated to the State Government, vide MoEF&CC, Government of India's Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 [Chapter-11, Para-11.6], Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant approval for strengthening and black topping of existing mettaled road MDR-49 from Hasur BK to Bolavi Road in Tal-Kagal, Dist-Kolhapur passing through forest land in 810 Mtr (KM 1/685 to 1/835, KM 2/085 to 2/235, KM 2/435 to 2/945) of Kolhapur district in State of Maharashtra.

2. This approval is issued subject to the following conditions:-

- i. The execution of the work shall be restricted within width of 3.65 Meter and length of 810 Meter in the forest area (0.2957 Ha.) as per recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Kolhapur & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kolhapur.
- ii. No tree felling shall be done.

- iii. Widening of roads if at all required should not be undertaken without prior permission of the Central Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- iv. The User Agency shall maintain the curves of the roads, inside the forest and will not straighten the same.
- v. The User Agency shall install speed barkers and speed control signage at regular intervals to avoid accident with wild animals.
- vi. While black-topping, adequate precaution should be taken by the user agency to avoid any damage to flora and fauna.
- vii. Labour camp should not be established on the forest land.
- viii. No work shall be allowed after sunset.
 - ix. Any damage to forest area due to such up-gradation works shall be compensated by the implementing agency from the project cost. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
 - x. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- xi. The Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur shall take appropriate action as per para 1.21 (i) of the handbook issued by the MoEF&CC, vide letter dated 28/03/2019 in case of violation.
- xii. Space at the cost of Project Authority should be provided at nodes indicated by Forest Department to facilitate setting up of Forest Check Nakas.
- xiii. Bitumen cold mix for black topping should be prepared outside the forest or at a site approved by the Divisional Forest Officer.
- xiv. The User Agency shall try to maintain the road surface as rough as possible to act as regular speed governor, even if it means going below the standards prescribed for the particular class of roads, the intention being only to make it an all-weather road.

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Arvind Apte) Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)

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